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BEHIND THE MASK
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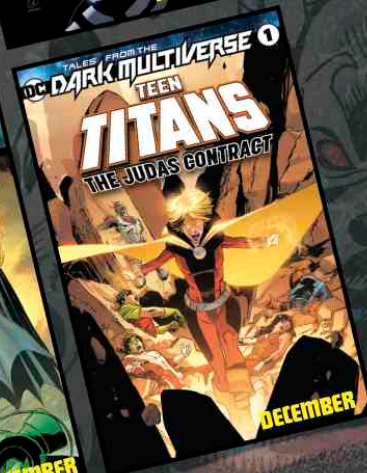
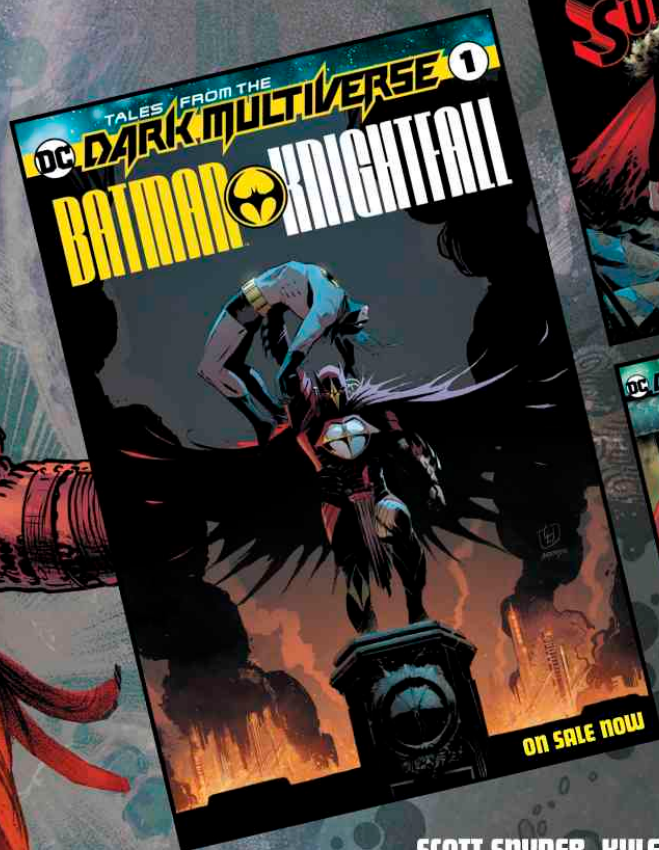


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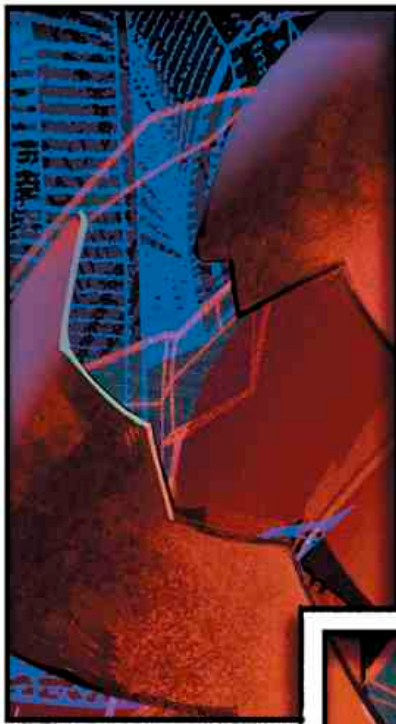
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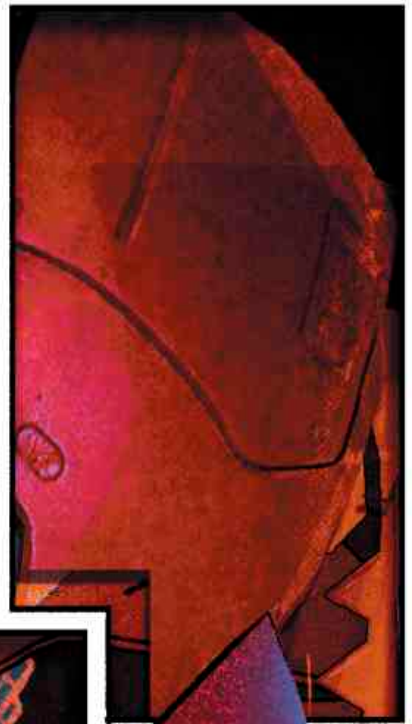
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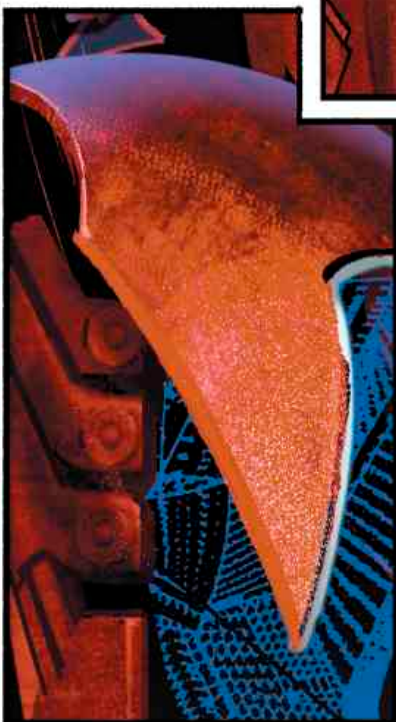
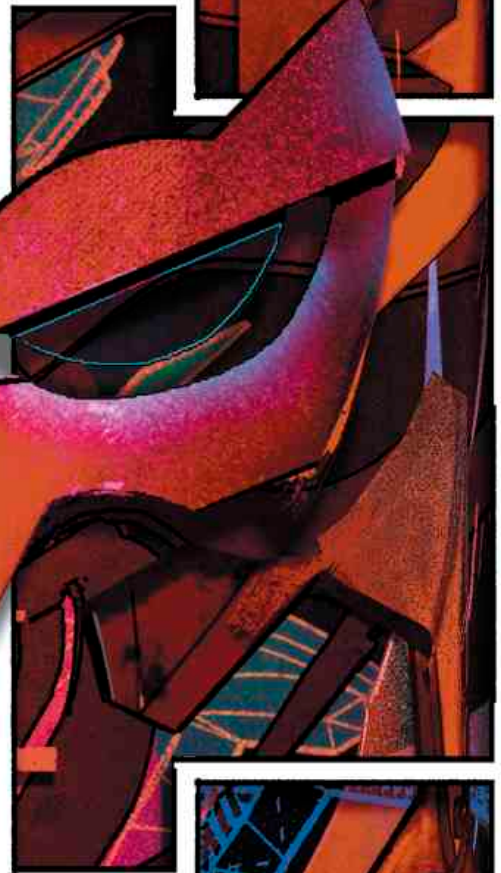
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YOU DON'T
KNOW WHAT A
MANHUNTER
IS?



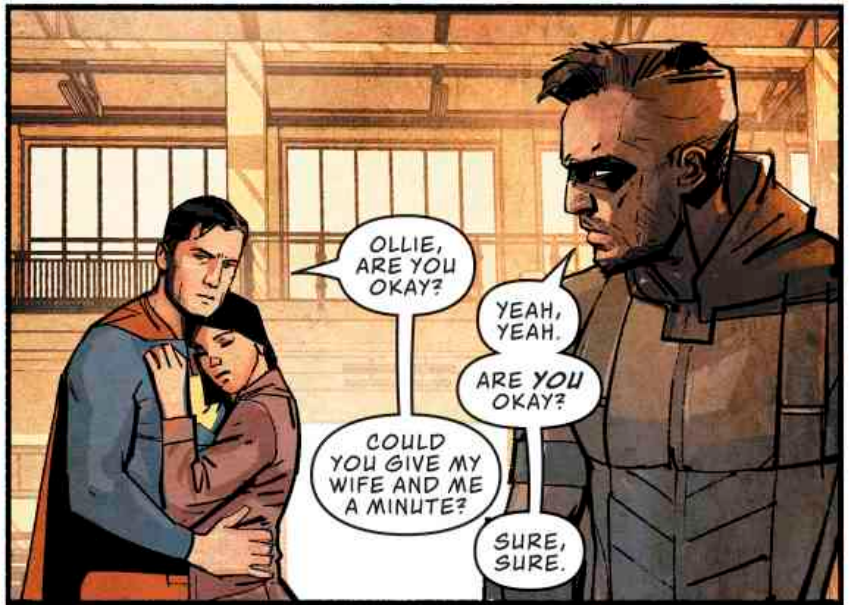
DOESN'T
MATTER.



MANHUNTER
IS LEVIATHAN
AND WE LET HIM
TAKE THE
WORLD.







GOTHAM CITY. THREE HOURS AGO.



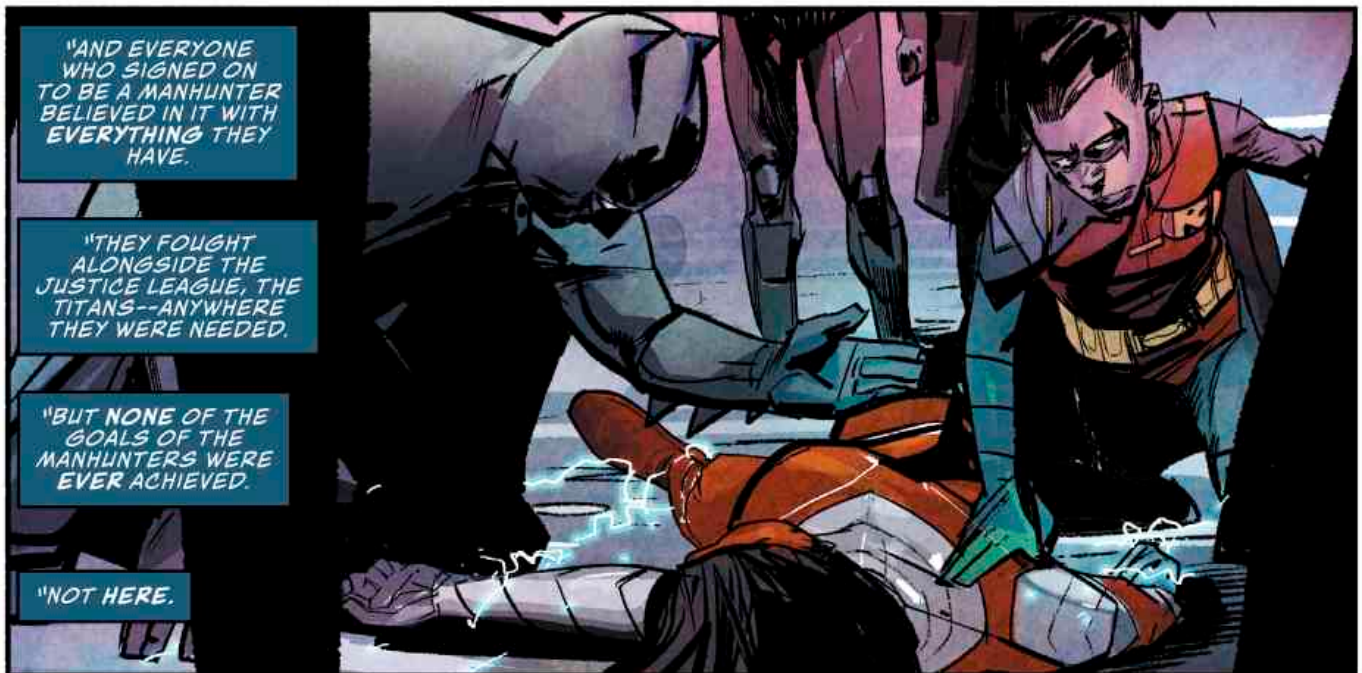






"MANHUNTERS CAME TO EARTH FOR THE SAME REASON THEY CAME TO EVERY PLANET..."

"TO LIBERATE IT FROM ITSELF."



"AND EVERYONE WHO SIGNED ON TO BE A MANHUNTER BELIEVED IN IT WITH EVERYTHING THEY HAVE."

"THEY FOUGHT ALONGSIDE THE JUSTICE LEAGUE, THE TITANS--ANYWHERE THEY WERE NEEDED."

"BUT NONE OF THE GOALS OF THE MANHUNTERS WERE EVER ACHIEVED."

"NOT HERE."



"BECAUSE THIS PLANET IS IN COMPLETE AND TOTAL CHAOS."

"THERE IS NOTHING FAIR ABOUT HOW THIS WORLD RUNS ITSELF."



"I THINK WE'RE BETTER OFF GOING BACK TO THE BATCAVE AND WAITING FOR SUPERMAN'S RETURN."

"I THINK YOU'RE RIGHT, BATMAN."

Detectives! If you know sign language, follow along...



"IT'S INSANE."

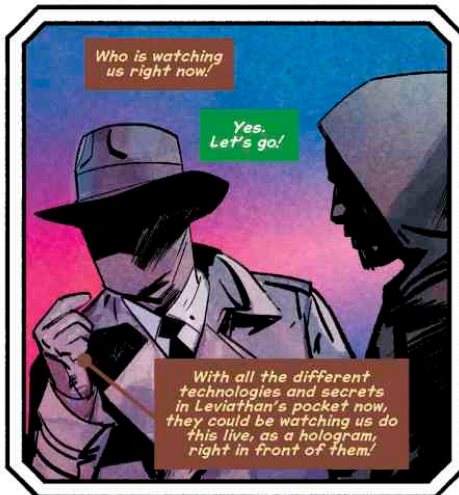
"SUPERHEROES, POLITICIANS, AND SPIES. SPIES?!"

"YOU HAVE DEDICATED YOUR LIFE TO PROTECTING A CIRCUS."

"ARROW AND MANHUNTER CAN HELP ROBIN LOAD THE VAN, RIGHT?"

This became a very dangerous situation. We are being observed.

Tell us the plan, Batman...







DO YOU KNOW WHY LEVIATHAN THOUGHT HE COULD MAYBE RECRUIT MY FATHER, THE SPYMASTER OF A.R.G.U.S., INTO HIS PLAN FOR WORLD DOMINATION?

BECAUSE LEVIATHAN'S PLAN... WAS AUTHORED BY MY FATHER.

LEVIATHAN'S ATTACK WAS MY FATHER'S IDEA.

I ASSUME IN THE FORM OF A PROFESSIONAL WARNING TO HIS PEERS?

MY FATHER SAW THAT THE "FRUSTRATION CHATTER" INSIDE ALL THE AGENCIES HAD BUBBLED UP SO HIGH...

HE WARNED THAT THE GOOD, HARD-WORKING PEOPLE OF THESE INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES, SOME OF THEM THE MOST BRILLIANT MINDS OF OUR TIME...

WERE SO DEEPLY FRUSTRATED THEY WEREN'T ACTUALLY GETTING ANYTHING DONE...



"THAT ALL OF THIS WAS ACTUALLY POSSIBLE.

"OH, BUT THAT WASN'T A WARNING TO OUR NEW BUDDY LEVIATHAN..."

"NO."

"HE READ MY FATHER'S WARNING AS A TO-DO LIST.

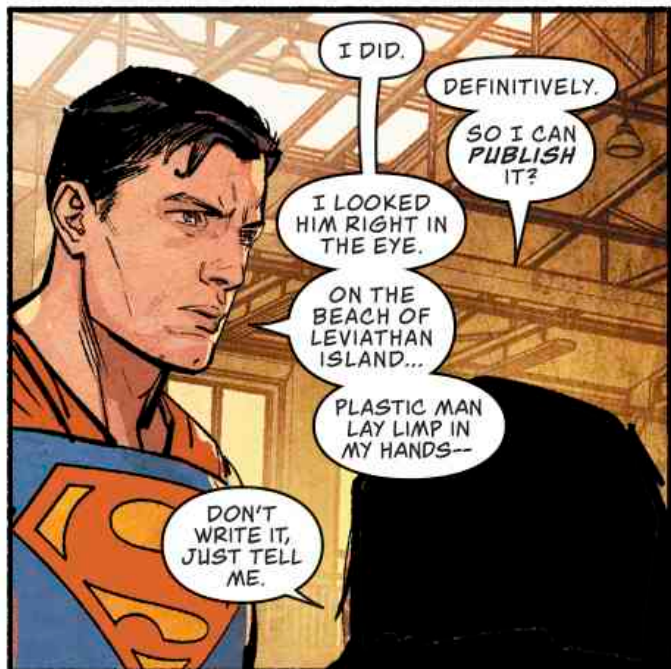
"AND DID IT."



MANHUNTERS.

IT'S ACTUALLY NOT THEIR ORIGINAL NAME. IT'S HOW IT VERY ROUGHLY TRANSLATES HERE ON EARTH.

TELL ME YOU SAW LEVIATHAN'S FACE.



I DID.

DEFINITELY. SO I CAN PUBLISH IT?

I LOOKED HIM RIGHT IN THE EYE.

ON THE BEACH OF LEVIATHAN ISLAND...

PLASTIC MAN LAY LIMP IN MY HANDS--

DON'T WRITE IT, JUST TELL ME.



I'M
SORRY...
I DON'T
RECOGNIZE
YOU.



MY
NAME IS **MARK
SHAW**.

MANHUNTER.

AND
I KNOW I
SAID IT BEFORE
BUT--**THANK
YOU.**

THANK
YOU FOR
ALL THE TIMES
YOU'VE SAVED MY
LIFE THAT I DON'T
EVEN KNOW
ABOUT.



YOU HAVE SAVED MY
LIFE AND THE LIVES OF
EVERYONE ON THIS
ISLAND HUNDREDS
OF TIMES.

I BELIEVE I
SPEAK FOR EVERYONE
TODAY WHEN I SAY THAT
NOBODY **HERE** WANTS
TO FIGHT YOU,
SUPERMAN.

WE'VE BENT
OVER BACKWARD
NOT TO FIGHT
WITH YOU.

OUR
SCIENTISTS
HAVE TRIED
EVERYTHING!

WE WANT
TO CONVINCE
YOU TO TAKE THE
NEXT STEP WITH US.



WHAT JUST
HAPPENED TO
SAM LANE WAS
UNFORTUNATE.



HE SAID
WHAT?



I KNOW YOU AND SAM
WERE HARDLY
CLOSE.

AND I KNOW
VERY WELL HOW HE
FELT ABOUT YOU IN
THE ABSTRACT.

EVEN THOUGH
WE BOTH KNEW HE
WAS A BIG BASTARD WHO
WANTED TO GUT YOU
FOR SPORT...

...HE DID GO
OUT THE WAY
HE WANTED.



HOLD
ON!
I HAVE TO
REWRITE MY OPEN.



MARK
SHAW. EX-
SPY.

OF
COURSE.

EX-
MANHUNTER,
EX-SUICIDE
SQUAD.

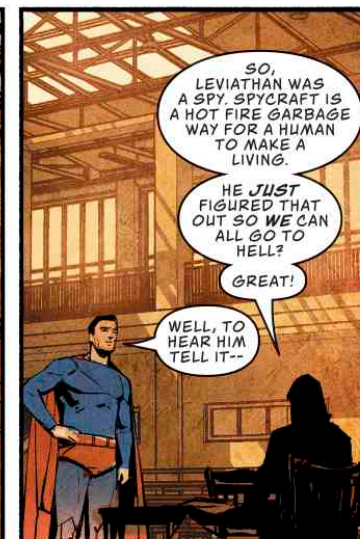
OF
COURSE.

HE WAS
CHECKMATE WHEN
IT COLLAPSED.

TALIA
RECRUITED HIM
INTO LEVIATHAN
NOT KNOWING...



BEFORE THAT
HE WAS A TRUSTED
PARTNER TO YOUR
FATHER.

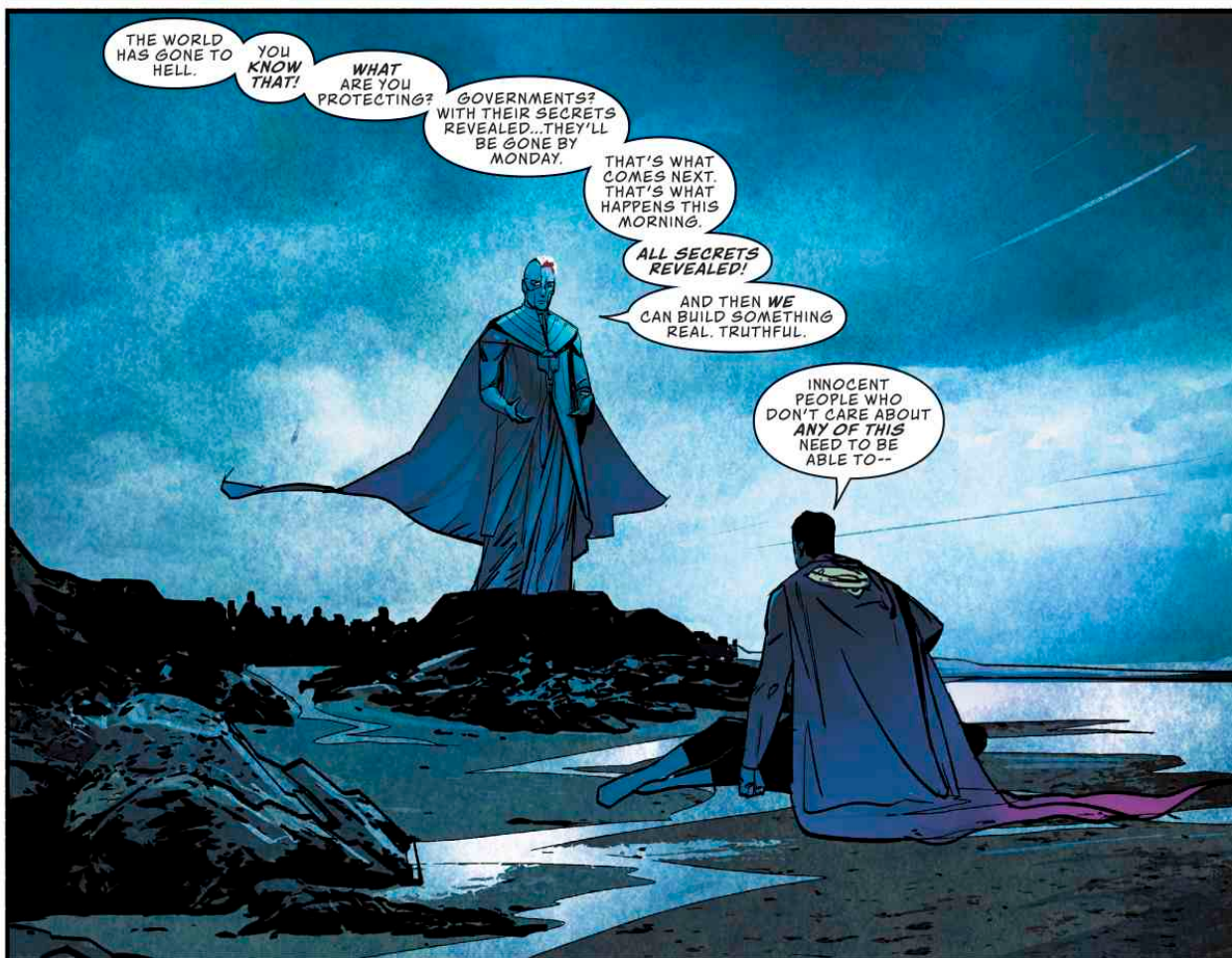


SO,
LEVIATHAN WAS
A SPY. SPYCRAFT IS
A HOT FIRE GARBAGE
WAY FOR A HUMAN
TO MAKE A
LIVING.

HE JUST
FIGURED THAT
OUT SO WE CAN
ALL GO TO
HELL?

GREAT!

WELL, TO
HEAR HIM
TELL IT--



THE WORLD
HAS GONE TO
HELL.

YOU
KNOW
THAT!

WHAT
ARE YOU
PROTECTING?

GOVERNMENTS?
WITH THEIR SECRETS
REVEALED...THEY'LL
BE GONE BY
MONDAY.

THAT'S WHAT
COMES NEXT.
THAT'S WHAT
HAPPENS THIS
MORNING.

ALL SECRETS
REVEALED!

AND THEN WE
CAN BUILD SOMETHING
REAL. TRUTHFUL.

INNOCENT
PEOPLE WHO
DON'T CARE ABOUT
ANY OF THIS
NEED TO BE
ABLE TO--



YEAH,
YEAH...

HOW'D
YOU GET OUT
OF THERE AND
WHERE IS HE
NOW?



PLASTIC
MAN.



PLASTIC
MAN?



PLAS WASN'T
UNCONSCIOUS.

HE LITERALLY LAID THERE
IN MY ARMS USING HIS
POWERS TO SQUEEZE
PART OF HIMSELF OUT
OF OUR SPYRAL
TECH TRAP.

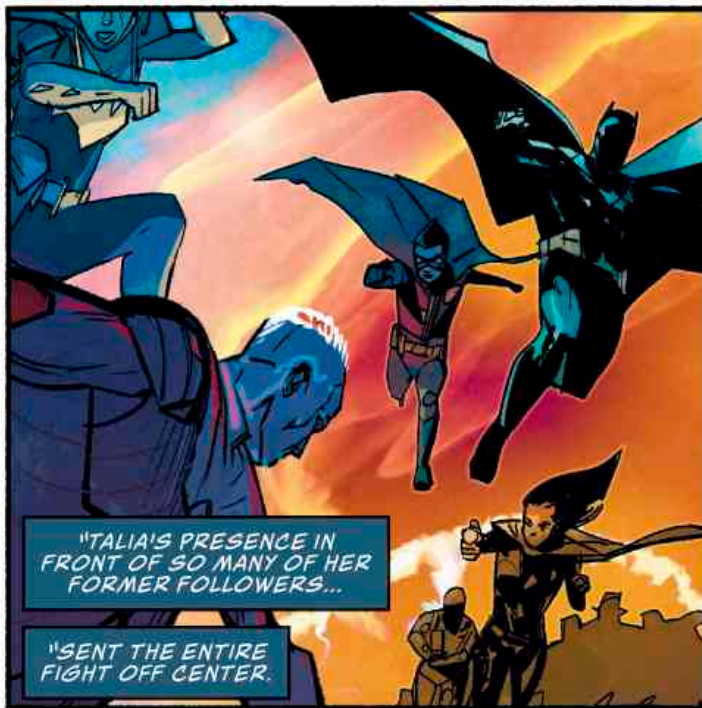
AND IT WAS
JUST THEN WHEN
BATMAN AND ALL THE
DETECTIVES TRACED THE
LEVIATHAN/MANHUNTER
SIGNAL SOURCE TO THIS
ISLAND OFF OF ICELAND...





"BATGIRL MADE HER
MOVE FROM INSIDE
THE ORGANIZATION.

"WE WERE ABLE
TO EXTRACT HER.



"TALIA'S PRESENCE IN
FRONT OF SO MANY OF HER
FORMER FOLLOWERS...

"SENT THE ENTIRE
FIGHT OFF CENTER.



"LEVIATHAN WAS SO
SURE HE HAD THIS.

"SO SURE HE WAS DIFFERENT
FROM ALL THE OTHER MONSTERS
AND MANIACS WHO HAVE CONVINCED
THEMSELVES THAT THEY ARE THE
ONES WHO NEED TO CONTROL
EVERYONE ELSE.

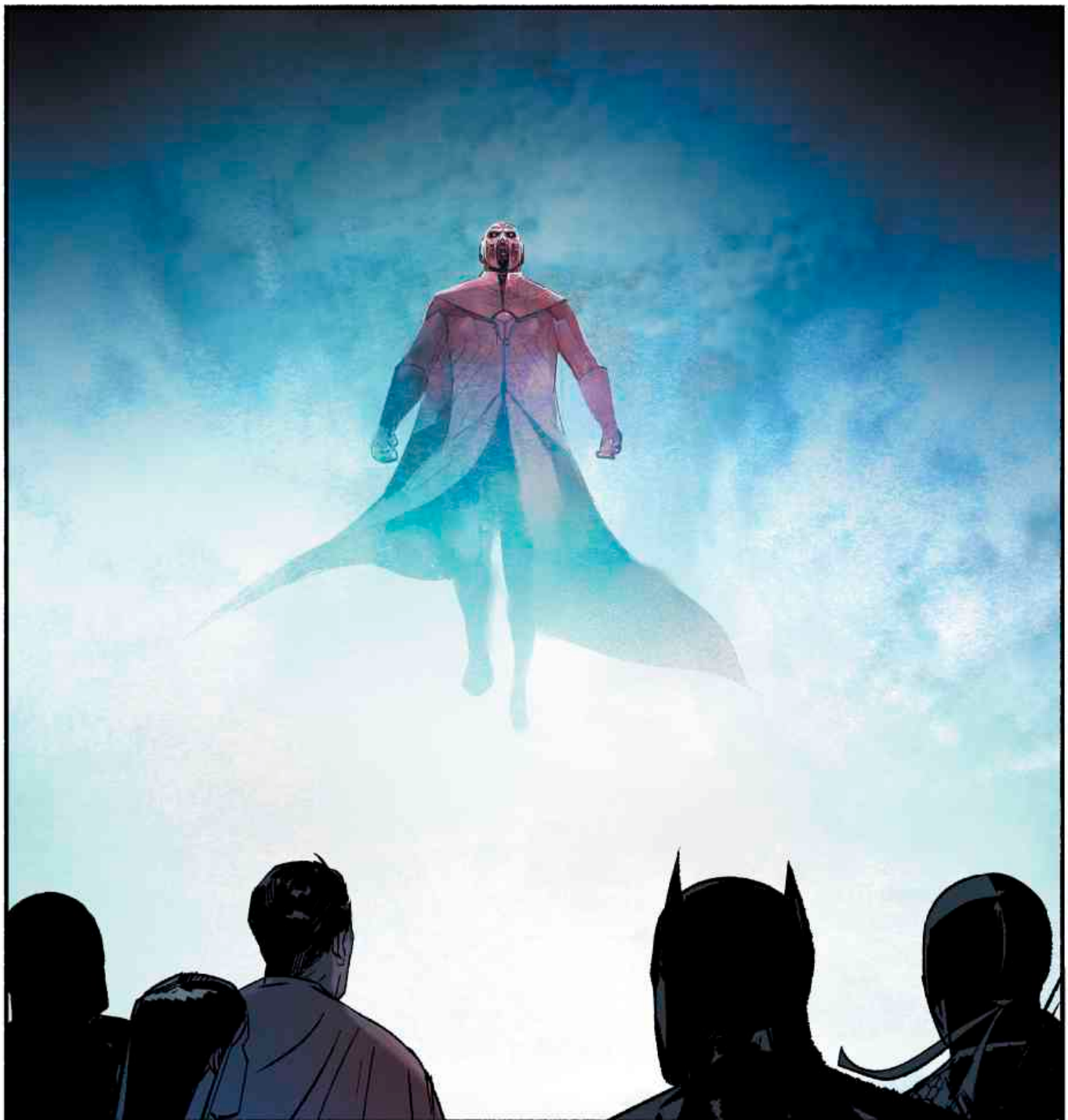
I CAN'T
BELIEVE IT.
ALL YOU'VE
DONE IS REVEAL
YOURSELF
TODAY.



YOUR
TRUTH IS YOU
WANT THIS.

YOU'RE
FIGHTING TO
KEEP THINGS THE
WAY THEY
ARE.

WELL
##!@ YOU,
SUPERMAN.





SECRETS!





WELL...
THEY
NEED THIS.

WITHOUT IT...
THEY HAVE TO
START FROM
SCRATCH.

AMANDA
WALLER
SNUCK IT
TO ME.



AMANDA
WALLER?!

WALLER
WAS HERE?

WHERE
IS SHE?

THEY'RE
GOING TO
BE COMING
FOR ALL
OF US.

BUT AFTER
WHAT YOU'VE
DONE TO THEM,
BATGIRL, LEVIATHAN
WILL BE COMING
FOR YOU.

OH
WELL.

NO SIGN
OF LEVIATHAN
WITH X-RAY,
TELESCOPIC, OR
MICROSCOPIC
VISION.

BATCOMPUTER
SEES NOTHING
ON SAT.



AMANDA! IF YOU'RE
HIDING BEHIND
SOMETHING,
COME ON OUT!

THEY WERE
PREPARED FOR ANY
CONTINGENCY.

SO
THEY KNOW
THE REST OF THE
ENTIRE JUSTICE
LEAGUE IS ON
ITS WAY.

LEVIATHAN
WON'T BE
BACK.

I CAN'T
BELIEVE
WE LOST!



ROBIN, WE
KNOW WHO
LEVIATHAN
IS.

WE KNOW
WHAT HE
WANTS.

AND TODAY,
RIGHT NOW, HE
CAN'T HAVE IT.

NO!

YOU
COWARDS!

SETTLE
DOWN,
TALIA.



YOU FECKLESS COWARDS!
WE DESTROY THEM
BEFORE THEY--

SHUSH!

ZZAATTTT



THAT'S MY
MOTHER!

THEN YOU'RE
DOUBLY
WELCOME!

SHE WAS
TRYING TO
HELP YOU!

BECAUSE
IT HELPS
HER!



YOU KNOW, IT
FEELS TO ME
LIKE LEVIATHAN
HAS COMPLETELY
CHANGED THE
GAME...

AND THE
PLAYERS,
US INCLUDED,
NEED TO
RETHINK OUR
PLACE IN ALL
THIS.

AND TALIA--SHE
REALLY DOES
HAVE A LOT OF
INTEL *YOU*
DON'T!

MAYBE WE SHOULD TAKE A MOMENT
AND EVERYONE *SETTLE DOWN* AND
FIGURE OUT WHAT WE WANT
FROM THIS.

WE WANT
LEVIATHAN.

AND WE
WANT IT
NOW!

AND
HOW DO YOU
SUPPOSE WE GO
ABOUT DOING
THAT NOW?



I'VE BEEN
WATCHING
LEVIATHAN SINCE
THIS ALL STARTED,
AND I THINK--

I THINK
I KNOW A REAL
WAY TO TURN THIS

"NO! STOP!"

**"THAT'S NOT
THE STORY."**



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The hunt for the person behind the rise of one of the most dangerous organizations in history ended with a Manhunter.

The Daily Planet can exclusively report a onetime costumed adventurer unleashed yesterday's unprecedented, massive attack on the world intelligence organizations. Mark Shaw, once called Manhunter and a former United States intelligence operative, now controls the Leviathan terrorist organization.

While no one was paying attention—not Superman, not Wonder Woman, not any member of the F.B.I. or the Justice League—Shaw took over Leviathan and coerced most of the major intelligence players in the world into joining him in an attempt to overthrow all the world's governments at once.

He was 40 minutes away from making that happen.

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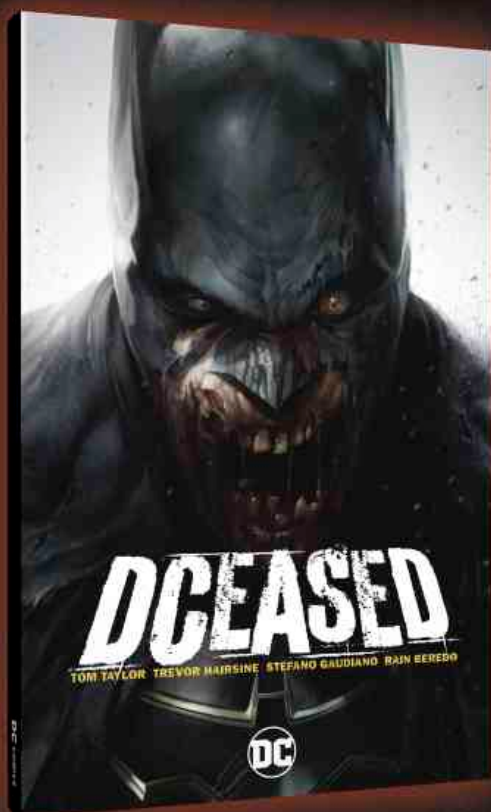
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The City Enduring, a metropolis at the edge of the universe, hasn't had a violent crime in 500 years—until now. It's up to rookie Green Lantern Sojourner "Jo" Muellein to keep the civilization from tearing itself apart.

What do you love about Jo, and exploring the world of Far Sector through her?

N.K. Jemisin: I like that she's a stranger in a strange land—operating outside of the normal jurisdiction of Green Lanterns, without anyone to call for help, in a city full of people who in many cases resemble humans, but who can be deeply, frighteningly alien. Settings like this are a perfect way to mirror and explore the human condition.

Jamal Campbell: Creating a new hero and a new world, in the DC Universe, starring in their own title book, is the opportunity of a lifetime—and I've somehow been put in the position to do it twice (*Naomi*), back-to-back? It's wild, and a bit overwhelming. I'm just happy to be in this moment of pure creation where I can put out my best work.

How did you develop the City Enduring's location and culture?

Jemisin: I got contacted by Gerard Way, who had an idea for a Green Lantern book in which the protagonist would be alone, in a distant sector of space, embedded in a futuristic society. The idea was so intriguing that details pretty much sprung into my head, and I started putting together the City Enduring.

Campbell: There were a number of touchstones that I wanted to hit. First, the City being this gargantuan megalopolis built around a star is such a cool and intriguing concept just on its own. Secondly, it's a city that never ends. It's sprawling and vast, yet so dense and claustrophobic that wherever you look, you have to feel tiny and a bit lost. Lastly, there's the inhabitants of the city, and how the people interact and live amongst one another, and developed as a society.

What will surprise Green Lantern fans about Jo's powers?

Jemisin: Among other things, her ring doesn't have to be charged with a GL power battery. Because of that, however, it's got some significant limitations relative to other GLs. You'll have to read the comic for more on that.

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